

# Arizona State Retirement System Long Term Disability (LTD) Plan Employer Guide



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# **Long Term Disability Employee Booklet**

In this section is the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) Long Term Disability (LTD) Plan Employee booklet (revised 08/01/2012). The booklet will give a complete overview of the Disability Plan through the ASRS.

This book should be given to the Employee on their date of hire, and at the time they are given their disability packet.

To obtain copies of this booklet visit the ASRS website at <a href="https://www.azasrs.gov">www.azasrs.gov</a>. The booklet is housed in the Non-Retired Member section under Long Term Disability.



## **Procedures for Submitting Long Term Disability Claim**

#### 1. When Should Claim information be given or sent to an Employee?

- An Employee should be sent notification of the Long Term Disability (LTD) Plan after they have been unable to work due to sickness or injury or have been working limited duty for two consecutive months. Limited duty means the employee has not been performing the usual duties of their job due to restrictions or limitations requested by their physician.
- Provide the employee with the LTD claim packet along with a copy of the disability Plan booklet.
- Upon completion of the claim packet (directions below), please forward to Sedgwick, Inc.

Waiting to submit a claim until after the six-month qualifying period has been satisfied can delay the issuing of any benefits and incur late submission fees. Early submission allows our office to obtain any additional information from doctors or employers that may be necessary and allows us to possibly approve the claim prior to the commencement of benefits.

7. To obtain the employee & employer claim packets, please visit the ASRS website at <a href="www.azasrs.gov">www.azasrs.gov</a>. The packets are housed in the secure login area of ASRS website. If you do not have a login please contact the ASRS Employer Relations area to obtain a login.



2. What Forms are required for submission with an LTD claim and what forms are included in the employee claim packet?

The Employee claim packet consists of the following forms:

- Long Term Disability Claim Statement This is to be completed by the employee.
- **Release of Information Form** This is to be completed and signed by the employee. This is the authorization that allows us to request medical records.
- **Federal Tax Form** This is to be completed by the employee to determine the amount of federal taxes to be withheld from the benefit. Please note that 50% of the LTD benefit is taxable.
- Arizona State Tax Form This is to be completed by the employee to determine the amount of state taxes to be withheld. Please note that the LTD benefit is 50% taxable for recipients.
- **Direct Deposit Form** This is to be completed by the employee so that Sedgwick is able to electronically deposit benefit payments into their bank account.
- Attending Physician Statement This is to be completed by the employee's primary care physician (the physician who is most familiar with the employee's medical condition).



The Employer Claim packet – Please note the following should be clearly documented on the employer section of the claim statement.

- **Sick Leave/Donated Leave** Please advise the date as to when this is exhausted. If sick leave is paid beyond the date LTD payments commence, the LTD payment will be reduced by sick pay until it is exhausted.
- Unpaid Leave Of Absence For eligible participants on unpaid leave of absence as of the date disability is documented, and therefore, whose earnings are \$0 as of the date of disability, the minimum monthly benefit of \$50 is payable. For this reason, it is necessary to know exactly when sick leave, vacation, and donated times are exhausted.
- **Vacation** When is this exhausted? While this does not affect the amount of the calculated Long Term Disability benefit, it can affect the situation of an unpaid leave of absence.
- Short Term Disability Did the employee receive any Short Term Disability benefits? If yes, were the premiums paid by the employee or the employer? If the employer paid the premiums, please provide the name and address of the Short Term Disability carrier. Short Term Disability benefits may be offset from LTD benefits if they pay for a duplicate period of time.
- Physical / Non Physical Aspects of Job (Part 2 of employer portions of claim packet) This is to be completed by the supervisor (or other similar level in relation to the employee), so that we may be provided with accurate physical/nonphysical requirements of the job.

You will need to keep a supply of the employee, employer, attending physician, Request of Information (ROI), Federal/State Tax withholding, and Direct Deposit forms available for employees at your facility.



#### 3. What if an Employee is receiving Workers Compensation Benefits?

- If Worker's Compensation benefits are being paid, the employee should also apply for LTD, as partial LTD benefits may be payable.
- If the disability is a result of an injury at work, please provide the name, address and phone# of the carrier under "Remarks" on the employer's statement. Please provide the amount of any Worker's Compensation benefits that have been paid, as these may affect the calculation of LTD benefits.

## 4. What if an employee is or has been working in a modified or limited duty position?

- An employee that is or has been working modified or limited duty full-time and/or part-time is still eligible to apply for disability benefits.
- Limited duty is defined as being unable to perform the usual duties of the job, as medically substantiated by a physician.
- If an employee is or has been working modified or limited duty during or after the six-month waiting period. The employer will need to send Sedgwick copies of payroll records and time cards to reduce any earnings from the LTD benefit.

#### 5. If you have a question whom should you call?

- **Disability Benefit Specialist (DBS)** A DBS can help you with status of claim and benefit payment, any questions regarding what is going on with the claim, and any claims issues.
- Claims are assigned to a Disability Benefit Specialist based on the last name of the employee. The assignment is subject to change without notice due to staffing changes. The current assignment can be found in *Section 6* of this booklet. As assignments are changed, you will receive an updated list.



• Claims Supervisor – If you are unable to reach a DBS, a supervisor will be able answer your questions. You can speak with a supervisor if you have concerns with the status of a claim. Supervisors will have information regarding appeals and the appeal process.

For current contact information, please see Section 6 of this booklet.



## **Long Term Disability Plan Claim Packet**

#### Instructions for Employer:

- 1. After your employee has been off work for <u>2 months</u> due to their disability, please give them the Employee LTD Claim Packet to complete. The packet should contain the following:
  - a) Cover Letter
  - b) Employee Claim Statement
  - c) ROI
  - d) W-4
  - e) A-4
  - f) Direct Deposit Form
  - g) Attending Physician's Statement
  - h) Answers to Commonly Asked Questions
- 2. Tell the employee to complete and sign the first six forms. The employee will need to take the Attending Physician's Statement to their doctor's office and have their physician complete and sign that form. Once this is done, all of the forms should be returned to you.
- 3. Once you receive a completed packet from the employee, you will need to complete and sign the Employer's Notice of Claim form. (See Section 2, Procedures, for instructions on how to complete the Employer section of the claim packet).
- 4. After steps 2 and 3 are done, <u>fax</u> the entire employee's packet, along with the Employer's Notice form to (818) 591-7664. You may also send the claim packet and Employer's Notice through the Employer's secure email on the ASRS website. The subject line needs to state: "New ASRS LTD claim".



- 5. Sedgwick will keep you informed of the status of the claim with email notification upon claim approval, denial or termination and a monthly claim activity report. You may call Sedgwick's voice response unit at (800) 495-9301, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to find out the status of your employee's claim.
  - The only information you will need is the employee's Social Security Number and year of birth. If you do not receive the information you are looking for through the voice response unit, you may call between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, to speak to a Customer Service Representative.
- 6. If you have any questions regarding the packet, how to complete it, etc., please feel free to call Sedgwick at (800) 495-9301 and you will be walked through the process.
- 7. To obtain additional copies of the packets, please visit the ASRS website at <a href="www.azasrs.gov">www.azasrs.gov</a>. The packets are housed in the secure login area of ASRS website. If you do not have a login please contact the ASRS Employer Relations area to obtain a login.



### **Frequently Asked Questions**

## Should an employee apply for Long-Term Disability if they are on Workers' Compensation?

Yes. Workers' Compensation does not disqualify an employee from LTD benefits.

#### When should an employee apply for LTD?

LTD should be applied for as soon as the doctor states an employee will not be able to return to work within 6 months from their last day of work. You should counsel any potential claimants to have this discussion with their doctor at **2 months** after the last day worked.

## How do I obtain more claim forms, attending physician statements, booklets, etc.?

8. You may obtain copies of the claim packets by visiting the ASRS website at <a href="www.azasrs.gov">www.azasrs.gov</a>. The packets are housed in the secure login area of ASRS website. If you do not have a login please contact the ASRS Employer Relations area to obtain a login.



## If an employee has to reduce their hours, are they eligible for benefits?

Yes, the definition of disability state an employee is disabled if they are medically unable to perform all the regular duties of their own occupation. Therefore, an employee who is working reduced hours or limited job functions, under the advice of a licensed physician, may qualify for benefits.

#### Do we have to terminate an employee when they go on LTD?

No. Many employees are able to return to work after they have recovered. You may even bring a person back at a reduced schedule without causing their claim to close. Each case must be reviewed on its own merit. The member, DBS and employer need to work together to achieve the appropriate outcome.

## Do we have to include the Attending Physician Statement when we mail in the Claim Statement?

No. An employee may choose to have their doctor mail the Attending Physician Statement directly to Sedgwick, Inc. However, the claim will not be reviewed until both documents are received.

#### How do I get a report of active claimants?

Please complete the Employer LTD Data Update form housed in the secure login area of ASRS website. Once received the Program Manager will set you up to receive monthly reports via email on your claimants.

#### How do I check the status of a claim?

You may use the automated attendant on the Sedgwick toll-free number (800) 495-9301. Using the prompts enter the social security number of the employee and the date of birth. If the attendant states you have given an invalid social security number Sedgwick has not yet received the claim information.



#### How long does it take to process a claim?

Each case must be reviewed on its own merit, however typically the process is approximately 90 days or less. Once a claim is received, Sedgwick will contact the employee by mail or phone of the status of the claim.

## Is an employee able to receive Social Security Benefits and also receive LTD benefits?

Yes, they can receive benefit payments from both Social Security and Sedgwick. According to the Arizona Law depending on what kind of benefit the employee is receiving from Social Security a percentage of Social Security benefits will be used to reduce the LTD benefit.

## Is an employee able to receive retirement from ASRS and also receive an LTD benefit from Sedgwick?

No, if an employee applies for their retirement through the ASRS, they are not eligible to receive LTD benefits.

#### May an employee work during the six-month qualifying period?

Yes, they can work limited duty during the six-month qualifying period if instructed by a physician. Limited duty means, the employee has not been performing the usual duties of their job due to restrictions or limitations requested by their physician.



### Reports and Notification Emails

In this section are samples of the email notifications and reports that you as an employer would receive from Sedgwick. Sedgwick has the ability to set you up in the system to automatically receive emails and reports on a regular basis. If at any time you do not wish to receive the information, you should contact Barry O'Dowd, Program Manager, for assistance.

**NOTFICATION EMAIL SAMPLES ARE AS FOLLOWS:** 



#### **Notification of Claim Received Email**

When Sedgwick has received a completed claim packet from your office you will receive this email or fax notification. Sedgwick will then begin to process the claim, which consists of confirming eligibility with your office and ASRS. Sedgwick will also gather medical information that will assist in the decision making process of the claim. This process typically takes 30-90 days, but could be longer depending on the situation, and what information we are waiting for.

Re: LTD Initial Claim Notification - Jones, George
The following employee has submitted a long term disability
claim with us.
Last Name: JONES
First Name: GEORGE
Dept. Nbr: 123
Date of Disability (as reported by employee): 16-JUL-2001
Last Day Worked (as reported by employee): 16-JUL-2001
(Please do not change anything above this line)
If any of the information above is incorrect, please indicate
corrections below and reply to this e-mail.
Please send all responses to:@Sedgwickinc.com
Our customer service phone number is: (800)495-9301 or
www.Sedgwickinc.com

From: Sedgwick, Inc. (Your Disability Claims Administrator)



#### **Return to Work Email Notification**

This email is sent when Sedgwick receives notification that the employee has return to work to your facility or any other facility and the claim will be closed.

From: Sedgwick, Inc. (Your Disability Claims Administrator) Re: LTD Return to Work Confirmation - Jones, George

Sedgwick has received a confirmed Return to Work Date on the

following employee, therefore the LTD claim for this employee will be closed.

Last Name: JONES

First Name: GEORGE

Dept. Nbr: 123

Return to Work Date: 02-MAR-2001

--(Please do not change anything above this line)--

PLEASE DO NOT REPLY TO THIS E-MAIL IF ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT.

If any of the information above is incorrect, please indicate corrections below and reply to this e-mail.

Please send all responses to: \_\_\_\_\_\_@Sedgwickinc.com Our customer service phone number is: (800)495-9301 or www.Sedgwickinc.com



#### **Approval Email**

This email is sent once Sedgwick has determined the employee has met all the eligibility requirements outlined by the Plan Statutes and benefits will be issued.

From: Sedgwick, Inc. (Your Disability Claims Administrator) Re: Notification of Initial Approval of LTD Claim - Jones, George
The following employee has had their LTD claim approved.
Last Name: JONES First Name: GEORGE Dept. Nbr: 123 Claim Number: 123456 Date of disability: 15-AUG-2001
(Please do not change anything above this line)
If any of the information above is incorrect, please indicate corrections below and reply to this email.
Please send all responses to:@Sedgwickinc.com Our customer service phone number is: (800)495-9301 or www.Sedgwickinc.com



#### **Termination/Denial Notice Email**

This email is sent when Sedgwick has terminated benefits on a claim due to reaching normal retirement, refunding ASRS contributions, death, or denial.

From: Sedgwick, Inc. (Your Disability Claims Administrator) Re: LTD Claim Denial/Termination Notice - Jones, George
SEDGWICK has denied or terminated the LTD claim for the
following employee:
Last Name: JONES
First Name: GEORGE
Dept. No. 123
Claim Status Reason: Denied - Medical info does not support
disability
(Please do not change anything above this line)
PLEASE DO NOT REPLY TO THIS E-MAIL IF ALL OF
THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT.
If any of the information above is incorrect, please indicate corrections below and reply to this e-mail.
Please send all responses to:@Sedgwickinc.com
Our customer service phone number is: (800)495-9301 or
www.Sedgwickinc.com



#### **Monthly Claims Activity Report**

Please note that the Monthly Claims Activity Report needs to be requested through the Program Manager, (See Section 6 for contact information). Once Sedgwick has processed your request and your email address you will receive the report monthly via email or fax.

Shows all the claims activity for the prior month. It is sent out via email at the end of each month.

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CLIENT NO:0555 XYZ COMPANY

REPORT NO: 1 MONTHLY LTD CLAIMS ACTIVITY REPORT

PERIOD REPORTED: 01-JUN-2003 THRU 30-JUN-2003

PLAN NO: 181516 XYZ COMPANY - LTD

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CLAIM SUMMARY FOR PLAN NO. 181516 XYZ COMPANY - LTD

(01-MAY-1999 THRU 31-MAY-1999)

	CURREN MONTE		END CURRENT		END OF PRIOR MONTH
No. New Claims Received	0	2			
No. New Claims Processed	0	2			
No. Claims Paid First-Time	0	1			
No. Reopened Old Claims	0	1			
No. Claims waiting for Additional Information	n			0	0
No. Pending Claims				1	2
No. Claims in Active Payment Status				8	7
No. Suspended Claims				0	1
No. Reopened Claims Closed	0	0			
No. Claims Closed First Time	1	3			
No. Closed Claims	1	3			
Paid Gross Benefits(less refunds)	\$29,833.24	\$132,643.03			
Offsets Taken	\$14,012.16	\$71,412.01			
Paid Adj-Gross Benefits(less refunds)	\$15,821.08	\$61,231.02			
Paid Days	496	1,559			
No. Checks/Vouchers Issued	9	41			
EXPLANATION OF CLAIM ST	ATUS REASON,	WORKERS COMP STATUS	AND OFFSET CODE	S	

EXPLANATION OF CLAIM STATUS REASON, WORKERS COMP STATUS AND OFFSET CODE:



#### **CLAIM STATUS REASON CODES:**

Also included in this section is a list of Claim Status Reason Codes. These will correspond with the codes on the reports, so that you can see specifically the current status of the claim at the time you receive the report.

#### EXPLANATION OF CLAIM STATUS REASON, WORKERS COMP STATUS AND OFFSET CODES

Waiting Claim Status Reason Description Description	Pending Claim Status Reason Description	Suspended Claim Status Reason
W-03 Waiting for additional information	P-55 Appeal of Denial - awaiting info from EE	S-31 Awaiting third party liability
W-04 Employee's Claim Form is incomplete employment info	P-56 Appeal of Denial - awaiting info from attorney	S-32 Awaiting other employer/self
W-05 Employer's Notice is not yet entered into system	P-57 Appeal of Denial - awaiting add'l medical info	S-33 Awaiting SDI Plan Award Notice
W-06 Physician's Statement is incomplete change	P-58 Appeal of Denial-complete claim review in process	S-34 Reviewing possible benefit rate
W-07 Waiting for Claim Packet Process	P-59 Appeal of Denial-awaiting appeals reviewers decis	S-35 Recalculation of Benefits in
W-08 Holding Claim - No SEDGWICK Management to DBS	P-60 Appeal of Denial - awaiting decision from ER	S-36 Supervisor reviewed - referred back
W-31 Waiting for Eligibility Info & Physician's Cert Plan benefit	P-61 Awaiting Job Description	S-37 Work Comp benefit currently exceeds
W-32 Waiting for Physician's Certification DBS	P-62 Claim Forms Recv'd, awaiting examiner review	S-38 Nurse reviewed - referred back to
W-33 Waiting for Eligibility Information Info (ROI)	P-63 No Claim Forms Recv'd, awaiting examiner review	S-39 Awaiting return of ee's Release of
W-34 Waiting for Employee Claim Information	P-64 Physician file review rec'd - awaiting review P-65 Inactive Code	S-40 Awaiting Manual Check Calculation S-41 Appeal of Termination - CVP
Pending Claim Status Reason Description	P-66 Manager Approved - awaiting payment calculation P-67 Inactive Code P-68 Manager reviewed - referred back to DBS	S-42 Appeal of Termination - Hawaii S-43 Appeal of Termination - New Jersey S-44 Appeal of Termination - New York
P-03 Awaiting Workers' Compensation Information	P-69 Appeal of Denial - County Claim	S-45 Awaiting Medical Records Review
P-04 Awaiting additional information from Doctor	P-70 Appeal of Denial - State Disability Ret. Plan	S-46 Employer Paying Wage Loss
P-05 Awaiting additional information from Employer Disability(Full Pay from ER)	P-71 Disability Approved - Awaiting Eligibility Info	S-47 Non-Payable Period of
P-06 Awaiting more complete claim form from Employee	P-72 Appeal of Denial - County Hearing	S-48 Awaiting Manager's Review
P-07 Awaiting more complete claim form from Physician Supervisor	P-73 Appeal - Client Jurisdiction	S-49 Manager reviewed - referred back to
P-08 Awaiting medical records Confirmation	P-74 Pending Expense Payment	S-50 Awaiting Return to Work
P-09 Awaiting State Disability Plan award notice	P-75 Awaiting Employee's LTD Claim Packet	S-51 Appeal of Termination - County

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Manager P-12 Awaiting for State to refer claim file S-54 Obtaining Cla:	im Eutonaian
Information	IIM Extension
	m - awaiting info from
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P-15 Awaiting st.verif.of med.pract.credent.to cert.dis A-02 Claim re-opened (had been suspended) S-57 Appeal of Termedical info	m - awaiting add'l
	m - complete claim
P-18 Awaiting EDD response to referral A-04 Active, non-returned Cont Benef Form prevents pymt S-59 Appeal of Terreviewers decis.	m-awaiting appeals
P-19 Awaiting late file claim explanation A-05 Claim re-opened (Pending a hearing decision) S-60 Appeal of Terr from ER	m - awaiting decision
	- No STD Management
P-21 Awaiting preexisting condition information A-07 Active, SS approved, Possible RTW candidate S-62 Approved WC - Management	No SEDGWICK
P-22 Awaiting disability date - claim filed early A-08 Part-Time RTW with Physical Restrictions S-63 Approved RTWP Management	- No SEDGWICK
P-23 Awaiting Supervisor's review S-64 Awaiting Job I	Description
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Plan benefit P-26 Nurse approved - awaiting payment calculation S-67 Reimbursmnt o	of O/B Bornogtod-
Waiting for Response	of O/F Requested-
P-27 Awaiting Physician file review S-01 Extension of disability period yet to be approved S-68 Financial Info Repayment Arrangement	o Requested for
P-28 Medical Director Approved-awaiting payment calc S-02 QAR voided or cancelled claim or expense check S-69 Pending Approv Arrangements	val of Repayment
P-29 Waiting for Systems Manager to verify benefit calc S-03 Awaiting additional medical information S-70 Referred to Co Recovery	collections for
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P-33 Awaiting clarification of hours/days worked per wk S-09 Awaiting return of Continuing Disability Ben. Form S-76 Awaiting Tran. Analysis	sferrable Skills
P-34 Supervisor reviewed - referred back to DBS S-10 Awaiting Workers' Compensation Information S-77 Awaiting Func- Evaluation	tional Capacities
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P-39 Awaiting return of ee's Release of Info (ROI) S-12 Awaiting Soc Sec Award info S-79 Appeal of Term Disability Ret. Plan	mination - State



P-40 Appeal of Denial - ERISA	S-13 Appeal of Termination - ERISA	S-80 Awaiting Any Occupation Disability
Determination		
P-41 Appeal of Denial - CVP	S-14 Awaiting Death Certificate/Beneficiary Info	S-81 Awaiting Disability Review
P-42 Appeal of Denial - Hawaii	S-15 Awaiting st.verif.of med.pract.credent to cert.dis	S-82 Appeal of Termination - County
Hearing		
P-43 Appeal of Denial - New Jersey	S-16 Awaiting RTW info/Extension Date	S-83 Medically approved but Awaiting
Eligibility		
P-44 Appeal of Denial - New York	S-22 Awaiting disability date - claim filed early	S-84 Awaiting information from your
employer.		
P-45 Awaiting Medical Records Review	S-23 Awaiting Supervisor's review	S-85 Appeal - Client Jurisdiction
P-46 Claim Approved-Add'l Info Needed Prior to Payment	S-24 Supervisor approved - awaiting payment calculation	S-86 Awaiting Expense Payment
P-48 Awaiting Manager's Review	S-25 Awaiting Nurse's review	S-87 MWG - Awaiting additional medical
information		
P-49 Manager reviewed - referred back to Supervisor	S-26 Nurse Approved-awaiting payment calculation	S-88 Awaiting Re-certification
P-50 Awaiting Eligibility Review	S-27 Awaiting Medical Director's review	S-89 MWG - Ext of disability period yet
to be approved		
P-51 Referred to Medical Mgmt	S-28 Medical Director approved - awaiting payment calc	S-90 MWG - Obtaining Claim Extension
Information		
P-52 Awaiting Transferrable Skills Analysis	S-29 Waiting for System Manager to verify benefit calc	S-91 MWG - Awaiting Return to Work
Confirmation		
P-53 Awaiting Functional Capacities Evaluation	S-30 Awaiting other disability benefit information	S-92 MWG - Awaiting return of signed ROR
and Med Releas Section		

#### EXPLANATION OF CLAIM STATUS REASON, WORKERS COMP STATUS AND OFFSET CODES

Closed Claim Status Reason Description	Closed Claim Status Reason Description	Offset Code Description			
C-01 Denied - disab. began before eff. date of coverage	C-64 Closed - Current medical not provided	8	VOLUNTARY DIS. PLAN		
C-02 Denied - waiting period not satisfied	C-65 Denied - Claimant not TD "Any OCC"	9	3RD PARTY		
C-03 Closed - claims no longer processed by SEDGWICK	C-66 TD Due to narcotic drugs not covered		10 DISABILITY PENSION		
C-04 Closed - total days paid exceed maximum allowed	C-67 Closed - ECS Claim, no response from Doctor	11	SHORT TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS		
C-05 Closed - No Claim for Continuing Benefits Form	C-68 Denied - vol plan ben. exceeds Erisa plan ben.	12	OVERPAYMENT		
C-06 Terminated - IME indicates claimant not disabled	C-69 Denied - Ee's coverage ended prior to dis date	13	WAGES-RTW DIFF. EMPLOYER		
C-07 Terminated - Claimant failed to appear for IME	C-70 Denied - No SS Decision	14	SIMULTANEOUS COVERAGE BY STATE		
C-08 Terminated - Claimant failed to appear for FCE	C-71 Closed - SSA determination pending	15	WAGES-RTW SAME EMPLOYER		
C-09 Denied - not a plan participant	C-72 Denied - Claimant never filed for Soc Sec	16	FAMILY SOCIAL SECURITY		
C-10 Terminated - Returned to work	C-73 Closed - RTW on modified duty	19	WORK COMP PERM DISABILITY		
C-11 Denied - IME indicates claimant not disabled	C-74 Denied - Insufficient earnings req'd for coverage	21	EST. SOC SEC		
C-12 Denied - claimant failed to appear for IME	C-75 Closed - transferred to another client/plan	22	SOCIAL SECURITY - RETIREMENT		
C-13 Denied - Clients Vol Plan cvg expired - ref to EDD	C-76 Closed - No sick hours available.	23	75% TOTAL INCOME OFFSET		
C-14 Terminated - Ben auth'd thru current aprvd to date	C-77 Closed - JH Claim	24	WORK COMP LUMP SUM AWARD		
C-15 Denied - claimant reject Vol.Plan cov ref.to EDD	C-78 Denied - Not Eligible for Benefits	25	COLLECTION AGENCY FEE		
C-16 Denied - Claimant failed to appear for FCE	C-79 Closed - Transferred to other Administrator	26	SICK PAY RECVD		
C-17 Denied - Not under medical treatment	C-80 Terminated-Employee info for survivor claim	27	VACATION PAY RECVD		
C-18 Terminated - Not under medical treatment	C-81 Terminated-Survivor Claim	28	SECOND OVERPAYMENT		
C-19 Denied - claim filed too late	C-82 Denied - Condition Excluded Under the Plan	29	THIRD OVERPAYMENT		
C-20 Denied -Not under med trtmnt by a plan accepted Dr	C-83 Denied - No Claim Packet Received, Approved WC	30	ENDING PAYOUT		
C-21 Terminated-max# of wks.allow. by the State reached	·	31	55% (INITIALLY 50%) SURVIVOR BEN		



C-22 Terminated-max# of wks allow. by the Plan reached C-23 Terminated-maximum total benefit amount reached C-24 Denied - claimant received full pay from employer C-25 Terminated -Not under med trtmnt by plan acceptd Dr C-26 Terminated - Claimant never filed for SS C-27 Terminated - Paid thru date reached ee term date C-28 Terminated -appeal in favor of mandated state plan C-29 Denied - No claim packet received C-30 Terminated - No SS Decision C-31 Terminated-alcohol related max reached C-32 Terminated-drug related max reached C-33 Terminated-mental related max reached C-34 Terminated-"his occupation"max.months reached(LTD) C-35 Terminated-"any occupation"max.months reached(LTD) C-36 Terminated-max.months reached(LTD), soc.sec.denial C-37 Terminated-max.months(LTD)in age/dur.table reached C-38 Terminated-benef. paid to max.age provided by plan C-39 Terminated - Med info doesn't support cont disblty C-40 Denied -Medical info does not support disability C-41 Denied -not under doctor's care for period claimed C-42 Denied-limit to state plan level, insuf.BP earnings C-43 Denied-not in author.drug/alcohol recovery facilty C-44 Denied - Internal SEDGWICK decision reaffirmed C-45 Terminated - Internal SEDGWICK decision reaffirmed C-46 Terminated - no response to request for req'd info C-47 Denied-Survivor Claim C-48 Closed - Overpayment referred to ASRS C-52 Terminated-released by doctor-no exten.w/in 20days C-53 Denied - appeal period expired C-54 Denied - appeal in favor of mandated state plan C-55 Closed - employee failed to file a claim form C-56 Terminated - clmnt deceased no further ben payable C-57 Denied - no reponse to request for required info. C-58 Closed as an incorrect plan number was assigned

C-60 Denied-pre-existing condition limitation of plan

C-63 Denied-State Award exceeds sal.cont.ben. (Memorial)

C-59 Closed claim was setup in error

C-61 Terminated - overpayment uncollectable

C-62 Denied - Franchise unit not covered by plan

C-85 Closed - Claimant is on FMLA Leave
C-86 Closed - Referred to Employer's RTW Program
C-87 Closed - Employee Retired
C-88 Denied - Claimant not TD "Own Occ"
C-89 Terminated - Claimant not TD "Own Occ"
C-90 Terminated - Claimant not TD "Any Occ"
C-91 Closed - Referred to Treasurer Tax Collector
C-92 Closed - Referred to Auditor Controller
C-93 Denied - Clmt No Longer Pursuing Claim
C-94 Denied - Denial Appeal - County Hearing
C-95 Terminated - Termination Appeal - County Hearing
C-96 Denied - Final Decision, Reconsideration Affirmed
C-97 Closed - Workers Compensation Exceeds Plan Benefit
C-99 Closed - Gallager Bassett Denied Claim

Workers Comp Status Code Description

DELY Employee has applied for WC benefits. No decision LITG WC claim denied. Employee is litigating WC claim. MEDO Medical Only

NONF Employee has chosen not to apply for WC.

PERM Claimant is receiving permanent WC benefits.

POTL Potential WC claim.

REJT Claimant's WC claim has been rejected.

TEMP Claimant is receiving temporary WC benefits.

VRIN Vocational Rehabilitation Interrupted

VRMA Vocational Rehabilitation Maintenance Allowance

Offset Code Description

- 1 SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY
  2 WC. TEMP. DISABILITY
  3 WC.VOCAB REHAB MAINT ALLOW
  4 RETIREMENT
  5 WAGES-2ND EMPLOYER
- 6 LAC EMPLOYER INCOME
- 7 STATE DISABILITY BENEFITS

32 SHARED SURVIVOR BENEFITS 33 USC VDI/STD I PLAN 34 VETERANS ADMIN DISABILITY 35 MOD ET RTW 36 OVERPAYMENT-SS 37 OVERPAYMENT-WC OVERPAYMENT-3RD PARTY OVERPAYMENT-RTW EARLY OVERPAYMENT-RETIREMENT 41 OVERPAYMENT-MISC 42 ALL-SOURCE 43 OTHER INCOME BLACK LUNG TDD SALARY CONTINUATION RAILROAD RETIREMENT 3RD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR RAILROAD RETIREMENT DISABILITY PAID TIME OFF EXTENDED MEDICAL LEAVE 50 PENSION DISABILITY BENEFIT 51

EMPLOYER PAID OFFSET

\*\* DIGITAL OFFSET



#### **Contact Information**

(Last Updated: February 2014)

Our customer service will be able to assist you and claimants with any general claim questions you may have. If at any time our customer service is not able to assist you they will forward your call to the appropriate specialist listed below.

If you have a question for Sedgwick, you should dial (800) 495-9301 and use the following contact list as your guide for whom you should speak to regarding your question:

Claims are assigned to a Disability Benefit Specialist based on the last name of the employee. The assignment is subject to change without notice due to an increase in workload and increase in staff. As assignments are changed, you will be notified and an updated list will be provided. The current assignment is listed below.

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#### **Operations Supervisor**

If you are unable to reach a DBS, a supervisor will be able answer your questions. You can speak with a supervisor if you have concerns with the status of a claim. Supervisors will have information regarding appeals or the appeal process.

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#### **Program Manager**

The Program Manager is your main contact to assist you with the Employer process. If you have questions regarding the Plan statues, change in employer contact information, report requests, or email notification questions the Program Manager will be able to assist you.

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